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## GEORGE SILER'S FIGHT GOSSIP

Mayor Taylor of Frisco Out  
With an Ax for Fake Fight-  
ers and Promoters.

GAME TO OPEN IN GOTHAM

WEEKS NOT IN ATTELL'S CLASS  
IN RING GENERALSHIP.

BY GEORGE SILER.

When Mayor Taylor was appointed  
of the citizens' committee to serve as  
mayor of San Francisco he announced  
that any indication of a fake in con-  
nection with a boxing contest would  
result in the suppression of the game.  
The mayor, it appears, did distrust  
the honesty of the last Jimmy Britt-  
Batting Nelson battle before it took  
place, and thought the indifferent way  
in which the men went through the  
forms of training precluded the possi-  
bility of good condition when they en-  
tered the ring. The men, it will be  
remembered, were away above weight  
several days before July 3, the date the  
articles stipulated the fight was to be  
held, and his honor looked with suspi-  
cion on the event.

The fight, however, was postponed  
and was honestly contested. The mayor's  
attitude, nevertheless, gave the  
promoters a scare, but they felt more  
at ease after Jimmy and Batting fin-  
ished their mill. Matters pertaining to  
the game looked more rosy after that  
battle, as the mayor, it seems was con-  
vinced that it was contested on its  
merits. At any rate, nothing was  
heard from his honor regarding the  
stoppage of the game, but when the  
promoters asked the new board of  
censors for permits they were con-  
fronted with another snag.

The old board, it was loudly whis-  
pered, was getting a rakeoff on all  
lights, and as the new board intended  
to conduct its business on straight  
lines it hesitated about granting per-  
mits, fearing the citizens' committee  
would haul the board members over  
the coals. This stand by the new  
board gave Jim Coffey, with his  
fighting arena in San Mateo county, a  
monopoly of the games, and natur-  
ally compelled the Frisco promot-  
ers to get busy with their political  
wiles.

Their pulls must have been strong,  
as Alex Greggains has succeeded in  
securing a permit for next month.  
Lex, however, is like the muzzled man  
with a square meal set before him—  
he eats it, but it is of no use to him, at  
least not at the present writing, as he  
finds it difficult to secure a match. He  
sent his man Friday, Mark Shaugh-  
nessy, east to investigate. Shaugh-  
nessy, in turn, sent Jimmy Burns  
and into a match with Jimmy Burns  
George Mennis, and also wired Jack  
Urley to talk shop to the Chicagoan.

Another Chance in New York.

If the New York fighting club will  
there to the membership plan, as  
used by the authorities, there will be  
one lively doings in the fight line in  
the old burg this coming winter. Clubs  
in New York City have been mush-  
ing and directly they get a foothold  
they cater to the general public. Then  
the police swoop down on them. Last  
year they started business by staging  
rounds and boxing matches. They  
hunched the number of rounds to  
four and then to six, and got  
way with them. Not satisfied with  
that, they rented Madison Square Gar-  
den, pulled off a ten-round fight be-  
tween Jimmy Britt and Terry McGov-  
ern, and sold tickets to every man who  
would take them. That killed it. Now  
they will be given another chance,  
and it is up to them to live up to their  
presentations.

The trio of English fighters, Johnny  
Summers, Moran and Pat Keefe, who  
recently arrived in this country, have  
all been matched. Summers is slated  
to take place at Los Angeles on  
Oct. 29. Weeks does not class with At-  
telle in science nor ring generalship, but  
is a hard hitter, considered fairly  
even, and hoped to win with a  
knockout. In fact, that is his only  
ance, as Abe should go around him  
a cooper goes around a barrel.

Attell and Weeks Next.

Abe Attell and Freddie Weeks are  
at work for their featherweight  
championship battle, which is sched-  
uled to take place at Los Angeles on  
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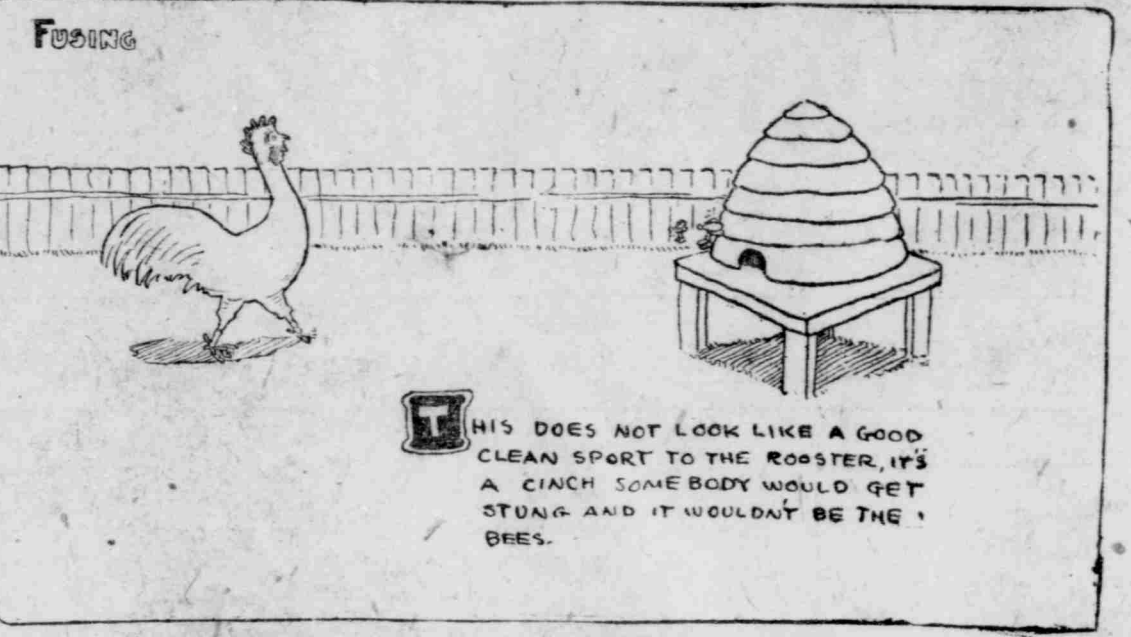
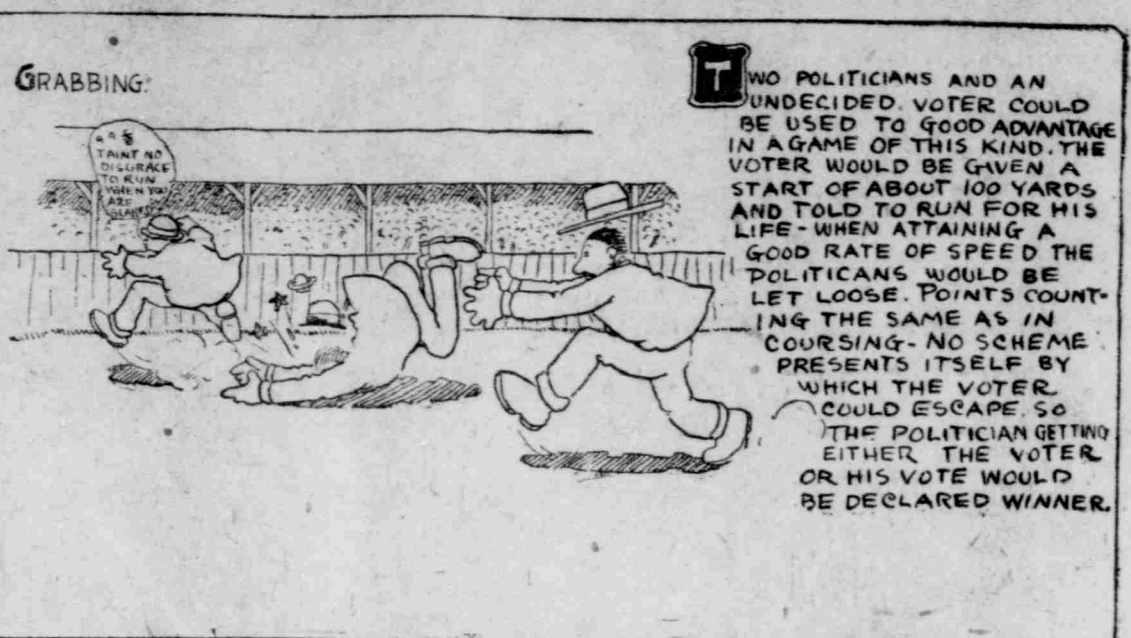
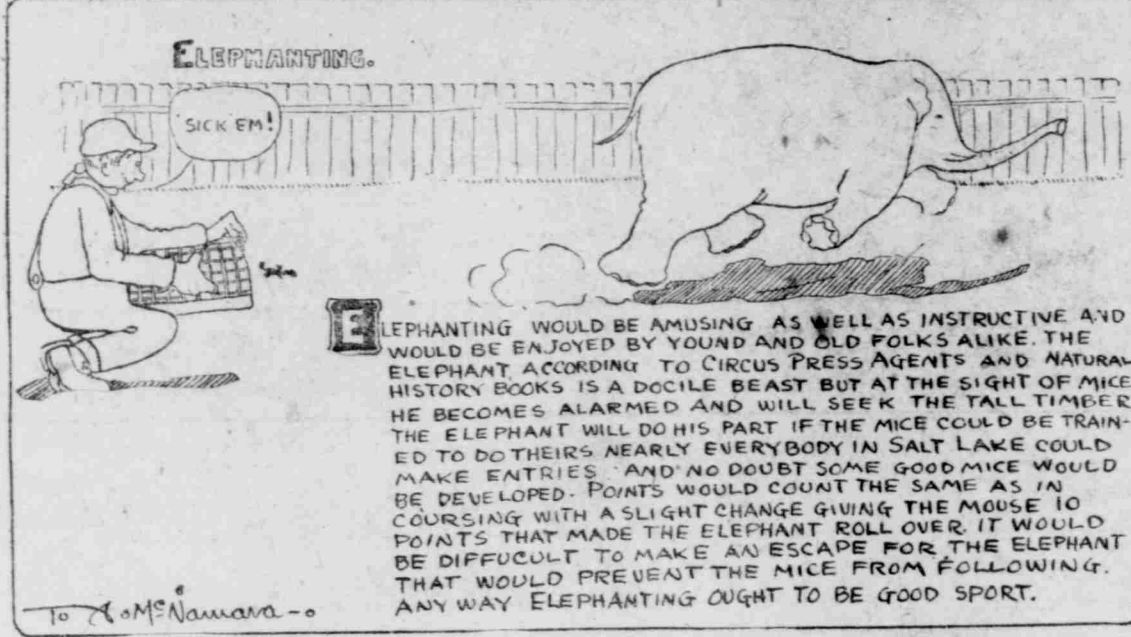
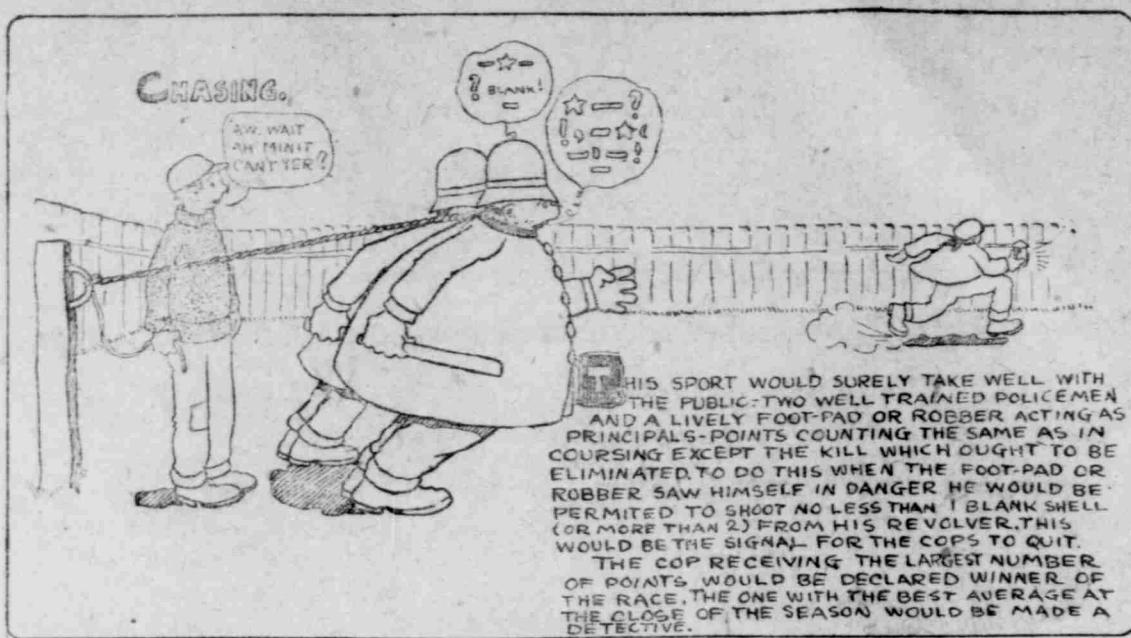
On the same night Matty Baldwin  
and "Kid" Sullivan will fight at Bal-  
more. Matty is out with a challenge  
fight any man in the country, white  
black, at 133 pounds for a side bet  
of \$1,000. A short while ago he balked  
at fighting at the weight, so it seems  
he is filling out. A match between  
him and McFarland would put one as-  
sant for the lightweight champion-  
ship out of the way.

Murphy Has Caponi.

Teddy Murphy and his protegee, Tony  
Pont, returned from Hot Springs  
Saturday, where Tony was slated to  
fight the original "Kid" Farmer in a  
roundabout. Farmer went to the coast  
th Abe Attell and sent Sammy Phil-  
lips to take his place. Phillips was  
fat and Teddy would not permit  
him to fight him. They returned to  
the Springs to train for the Bill  
pke match at Peoria, which was  
sponsored from Oct. 23 until Oct. 29.  
While Tony was working like a tro-  
op for Papke the latter hooked him-  
self up with Cy Flynn of Buffalo to  
fight at Terre Haute on Oct. 30. Ted-  
dy was boiling with rage when he  
heard of the Papke party had accused  
of declaring off the match and that  
his man would fight the Spring  
field fighter at any time and place.  
Tony also is willing to match his man  
against Joe Walcott or any 150 pound  
man in the country.

Jack Curley, who looks after Tommy  
an's interest, yesterday was offered  
match with Caponi to fight at Hot  
Springs on Thanksgiving day. Murphy  
will match Tony against Tom-  
my. If the latter will agree to weigh 150  
pounds.  
Clarence Class denies he was mixed

## SUGGESTED BY THE COURSING MEET



T. A. McNamara, Herald sporting cartoonist, proposes that these sports be put on as substitutes after the rabbits are exterminated.

## PRINCETON LOOKS LIKE '07 CHAMPS

On Form Shown So Far This  
Season Tigers Are Stron-  
gest in the Bunch.

BY MANHATTAN.

There is one noticeable feature about  
the football season up to this time. It  
is the splendid condition of prepared-  
ness shown by all the big teams, and  
the little ones, too, for that matter. In  
the games this week the men of the  
"Big Five" have played as smart a  
game of football as could have been  
looked for at the closing games.

On the dope so far the teams size up  
about in this wise: Princeton, Yale,  
Harvard, Pennsylvania and Cornell.

Big scores have been the rule in the  
games played so far. The improvement  
in open play so much demanded a lit-  
tle more than a year ago has been  
marked. In the Pennsylvania-Swarth-  
more contest one-half of the score was  
made by goals from the field alone, and  
touchdowns resulting from forward  
passes and inside kicks were also re-  
sults.

Taking the season to date, the Tigers  
appear to be traveling at a faster gait  
than any other member of the Big  
Five. In three games the showing  
against Bucknell, in which Princeton  
scored nine touchdowns and kicked  
seven goals, when compared with the  
work of the Quakers against the same  
combination, speaks for itself.

Even allowing for a falling off in  
form of the Bucknell combination fol-  
lowing the hard struggle with the  
Quakers, the overwhelming defeat ad-  
ministered by the Tigers to practically  
the same team on Saturday is a reason-  
able indication of the Princeton  
eleven's ability at this time. Despite  
the gloomy bulletins that have been  
sent forth from the Tigers' lair, it is  
evident that the 1907 team, if it does  
not suffer from over-confidence or a  
slump in playing form later in the sea-  
son, will be one that will be a big  
factor in the deciding of the eastern  
championship.

## BIG LEAGUERS IN REVOLT

California Players Say They Intend  
to Play With Outlaw  
Teams.

San Jose, Cal., Oct. 26.—"I will never  
play any \$100 fine and I am going to play  
ball in San Jose, too," says Hal Chase,  
first baseman of the New York Ameri-  
cans, who is covering the initial sack  
for San Jose in the so-called outlaw Cali-  
fornia State league. "The Pacific Coast  
league season is practically over," he  
continued, "and I have completed my sea-  
son's work in the east. I see no reason  
why I should not earn a little honest  
coin here during the winter. I am going  
to do it if I have to give up my eastern  
berth."

Harry Walters and Elmer Stricklett  
of the local team; Sam Mertes and George  
Baum of Sacramento; Whalen and Buck  
Franks of Oakland, have combined with  
Chase and will fight the National com-  
mission on its recent order forbidding  
leaguers to play in the outlaw circuit.

DUFFY IS TRAINING AGAIN.

New York, Oct. 26.—Arthur Duffy,  
former world's record-holder for the hun-  
dred, is training at the new West Side  
Athletic club grounds. Duffy claims he  
is training to conciliate his feelings re-  
garding physical culture. It is thought  
by a few wise ones that the old crank is  
developing speed for the purpose of in-  
vading Canada, where he expects to get  
out some matches.

Up with John Wille in that Cedar Rap-  
ide "fake" battle, in which, it is  
claimed, a Chicago politician was  
"trimmed" out of \$2,500. Clarence says  
he can prove he was in Chicago when  
the alleged battle took place and was  
not a party to the affair.

## CYCLE GAME IS OPEN ON COAST

New Indoor Track Built—  
Races Will Start Early  
Next Month.

San Francisco, Oct. 26.—The date has  
been set for the first race of the indoor  
bicycle meet to be inaugurated at the  
Pavilion rink this winter. The new  
regulation banked track, according to  
Frank K. Elwell, under whose super-  
vision it is being built, will be ready  
in a week, but to allow a little more  
time for preparations, the initial night  
of speeding will take place on Tuesday,  
Nov. 5.—On Fridays and Tuesdays of  
every week thereafter, during the  
closed season of cycling, the racing will  
continue.

Elwell, himself a veteran wheelman,  
built the old Mechanics' pavilion bicy-  
cle track, also the Velodrome and the  
one that was at Central park. He  
prepared the plans for the track at  
Madison Square Garden, New York, on  
which the six-day races have been  
held the past few seasons. He says  
the Pavilion track will be as fast as  
any in the country.

One thing is certain, the entry list  
will not be shy any classy riders. Be-  
sides Walter De Mara and Freddie  
West, both Bay City wheelmen, who  
won their spurs at Salt Lake, half a  
dozen crack riders from the U.S.A. city  
have been signed up. They are Jack  
Hume, Parley Giles, R. Dieffenbacher,  
Al McCormack, Jean Hoffman and  
Harry Wiser.

NEED HANLON HAS SCHEME

Offers to Manage Ball Team and  
Draw Pay According to Where  
the Team Finishes.

Cincinnati, Oct. 26.—As the result of  
a suggestion made by a Cincinnati fan,  
Ned Hanlon has said he would be will-  
ing to manage the Reds next season  
on a graded salary arrangement. Here  
is the scheme.

Hanlon to have absolute control of  
the team. If the team finishes last he  
to get nothing for his work; for finish-  
ing seventh, pay him \$1,000; sixth,  
\$2,000; fifth, \$4,000; fourth, \$6,000; third,  
\$8,000; second, \$12,000, and for winning  
the pennant, \$15,000.

"That's a fair proposition," said  
Hanlon, when the matter was put up  
to him recently.

"If there should be such a thing as  
my being retained by President Herr-  
mann I would accept that roster's plan  
as it stands, or the figures could be re-  
duced."

"My coming to Cincinnati did not de-  
pend on the salary. I believed I could  
help Herrmann build up a winning club  
and I would never have come. He is  
the best man in baseball. All that he  
has done for the sport, especially the  
National league, will never be known,  
except to the men most vitally affected.

"I have failed and been under fire.  
I have said before that I wanted to en-  
joy one more year before I quit the ac-  
tive side of baseball, and nobody re-  
grets as keenly as I do that this has  
not been the year, after which I could  
retire satisfied."

"I have no idea that I will ever man-  
age a ball club after this season, but  
if I did I would accept your fan's of-  
fer with any club. Money won't figure  
in any other attempt at success if I  
make one."

RATHER HARD ON TONOPAH.

Tonopah, Nev., Oct. 26.—Arrangements  
were completed last night for a second  
meeting between Mike Schreck and Al  
Kaufman of San Francisco. The pair are  
to meet on November 28 in the big arena  
built for the Gans-Herman fight. Jack  
Curley of Chicago will assist in the man-  
agement and Otto C. Floto of Denver has  
been selected as referee. Abe Brown will  
furnish the financial means for the affair.

## TOO MUCH MUSCLE INJURES ATHLETE

Modern Stars Prove That  
Bunch of Beef Does  
Not Win Contest.

An old-fashioned idea that huge,  
bulging muscles are essential to ath-  
letic prowess is being steadily discar-  
ded by the developers of athletic skill  
today.

It used to be that the man who  
would succeed in baseball, football,  
track and field athletics, rowing,  
swimming and tennis felt it a first  
 requisite to build up on his shoulders,  
back, arms, thighs and calves great  
piles of knotted muscles.

This was called development, and  
the possessors were prouder of such  
an equipment than a woman of a good  
figure. But the modern tendency is  
getting entirely away from this idea.

Men like Delaney, Mike Murphy,  
Muldron and Cookley, who know how  
to turn out winners, have discovered  
that a quantity of muscle can only  
be gained at the cost of speed, and  
that excepting in wrestling, where a  
man has need of absolute brute  
strength, the big muscles are more  
a detriment than an aid.

The ideal athlete of the future will  
undoubtedly be the man built on the  
lines Jim Corbett had when he fought  
John L. Sullivan fifteen years ago.

Never was a greater disparity than  
between these two men of the old and  
new school. Sullivan had a wonderful  
neck, shoulders and arm. Corbett was  
slender and lithe. No muscle showed  
on his body when he got into action.  
His were the long, slender fibers that  
could not be detected under the white  
skin, but which did their work so  
swiftly and well that the giant who  
in a wrestling bout or rough and  
tumble fight could have crushed "Pom-  
padour Jim" to death, was a child in  
his hands in a bout governed by the  
recognized rules of boxing.

Kid McCoy offers a still better illus-  
tration of the fighter without muscle  
development, yet who could hit hard  
enough to knock out men twice his  
size.

McCoy was flat-chested, his arms  
were thin as pipestems, his legs were  
nothing in point of muscle, and in the  
ring, stripped for the fray, he would  
have made a laugh but for the knowl-  
edge held by the public of the terrific  
hitting force that those puny little  
arms held.

Tommy Ryan, a wonderful fighter,  
whose sway has extended over fifteen  
years, and who is still probably good  
enough to take care of any man any-  
where near his size, is another case  
of the boxer who boasts no heavy  
muscles. Joe Gans, the lightweight  
champion of the world for many  
years, shows no more development  
than the ordinary man out of train-  
ing, yet a blow from his ebony fist  
carries a knockout message with it.

In baseball the transition is the  
same.

More little men are playing now  
than ever before.

The famous teams of the past were  
made up almost entirely of big fellows,  
Anson, Pfeffer, Williamson, Gore,  
Flint, Kelly, Brouters, Conner, White,  
Thompson, Browning, all famed hitters,  
were men who towered up to the six-  
foot mark, or close to it, and who were  
built in proportion.

Then it was thought that only a big  
and powerful muscled man could hit  
the ball hard, but nobody pays any  
attention to ideas like that now.

Willie Keeler is one of those who  
blazed the way for the ball player  
without prominent muscular develop-  
ment.

While the giants with the kind of  
bodies that the ancient sculptors de-  
picted are warming benches or are cut  
of jobs, Keeler goes along year after  
year ranking among the leading bat-  
ters, and incidentally drawing one of

## BUNK CHAMPION TO MEET MOIR

Man Who Faked With Jack  
O'Brien Goes Abroad to  
Represent America.

London, Oct. 26.—Tommy Burns of  
America and Gunner Moir of London  
have been matched to fight for the  
world's heavyweight championship at  
the National Sporting club, London, on  
Monday, Nov. 25. The stakes will be  
\$2,500 a side and the purse offered by  
the club will be \$5,000, in other words,  
\$10,000 will depend on the fight.

Burns is expected to sail for England  
in two weeks, so as to give himself  
plenty of time to get into good shape.

The contest has been limited to twenty  
rounds, and this is far enough for  
the men to go. The authorities here  
will not let the fight go on to a finish.

Those who were privileged to witness  
Gunner Moir's last two championship  
contests at the National could not but  
be struck with the confident manner in  
which he set about his task. Jack Pal-  
mer, on the night Moir wrestled the En-  
glish title from him, never appeared to  
trouble him. Tiger Smith was defeat-  
ed in the short space of two minutes  
49 seconds, the powerful punch of  
Moir's being used with telling effect.

Others who have reason to remember  
their occupying the losers' corner when  
meeting Moir are Jim Casey, Peter  
Felix, the Australian giant; Dan Tay-  
lor, the Woolwich Goliath; Slouch Dix-  
on, Gunner Nagitt and Gunner Harris,  
the last two being heavyweight cham-  
pions of the army and navy. In com-  
paring the physical proportions of  
Burns and Moir, the advantage in  
weight and weight is with the English-  
man, but Burns is about three years  
the younger. Moir stands 5 feet 9½  
inches and weighs 188 pounds, and  
Burns 5 feet 7 inches and weighs 180  
pounds.

HUMAN TACKLING DUMMY.

Yost Has Big Russian He Uses to  
Train His Team.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Oct. 26.—Yost in-  
stituted a new kind of work this week. Be-  
sides the tackling dummy, who has just  
joined the squad, was used in place of  
tackling dummies. The big fellow was  
handed the ball and was allowed to "run  
the line" of tacklers. If one varsity  
man missed him there were always five  
or six others waiting for a chance to  
down him.

Although he knows comparatively little  
of football, the Russian made a stubborn  
tackling dummy, as he was wise enough  
to life his knees high in the air and the  
regulars found him an extremely difficult  
proposition to bring to earth.

MUST HAVE HURT FITZ.

Objects to O'Brien Telling Inside of  
Their Fight.

Pittsburg, Oct. 26.—Rob Fitzsimmons,  
former heavy-weight champion of the  
world, last night declared that he would  
thrash Philadelphia Jack O'Brien on  
sight. The conqueror of Corbett stated,  
moreover, that O'Brien had carefully kept  
out of his way since he wrote an article  
stating that the Fitzsimmons-O'Brien  
fight at Philadelphia was crooked. The  
old gladiator announced that he was still  
the undefeated middle-weight champion  
and that he had not retired from the ring.  
He is still open to challenges to any pu-  
gilist of class in the heavy and middle-  
weight line.

the biggest salaries of any man in  
baseball.

During his long stay with Baltimore,  
Brooklyn and the New York Ameri-  
cans, Keeler has been accounted one  
of the greatest hitters in baseball his-  
tory, yet if he got in a fight on the  
street with an ordinary-sized man the  
latter would be condemned for punch-  
ing such an easy mark.

Ty Cobb is another prominent exam-  
ple of this class of athlete.

## IDAHO'S PITCHER IS SEASON'S STAR

Proved Most Effective Slab  
Man in the American  
League This Year.

Young Johnson, the kid pitcher discov-  
ered by Joe Cantillon, was the most  
effective slabman in the American  
league this season, so far as stop-  
ping the runners was concerned. The  
boy allowed only 33 runs in 14 games,  
or 2.36 tallies per trip, and only 35  
less than seven to the game—  
were made off his delivery.

Of the all-season pitchers, Dr. White  
was the most brilliant, with 2.57 runs  
per game. Plank and Killian are close  
up—a fine showing for the crack left-  
handers. The great Waddell does not  
show anything like his 1906 form, as  
3.76 runs per game were made off him,  
and 247 hits in 32 battles.

The wildest pitcher seems to have  
been Billy Hogg, who had 4.21 bases  
on balls per game, and the steadiest  
was White, who gave only 1.08 per  
struggle. As usual, Waddell had ev-  
erybody beaten a block in strikeouts,  
with 7.06 per game.

Waddell was taken off the slab often-  
er than any other pitcher, 18 banish-  
ments in all. Fruit of Boston was  
the greatest rescuer of the league, go-  
ing in 18 times when other pitchers  
were getting theirs.

Plank led the league in pitching  
feats with 11 star performances, with six  
shut-outs among them. White, with  
seven blanks, led the league in the  
whitewash line.

GREGGAINS AFTER CARD

Frisco Fight Promoter Trying Hard  
to Match Ketchell and  
Joe Thomas.

San Francisco, Oct. 26.—Promoter Alex-  
ander Greggains yesterday had another  
meeting with Joe O'Connor, manager of  
Young Ketchell, with the hope of ar-  
ranging a Thomas-Ketchell fight for No-  
vember. Thomas is perfectly willing to  
meet Greggains' terms, but O'Connor  
insists upon a percentage for Ketchell,  
which the promoter flatly refused.

"You must give me your answer in  
this match today," said Greggains, "or I'll  
drop the whole thing."

"I'll tell you finally tomorrow," an-  
swered O'Connor.

"There will be no tomorrow in this,"  
said Greggains. "If I'm going to see  
Pacley McFarland to come on at once  
and meet Mennis, that will be my at-  
tention for November."

"Mennis assures me he can make 133  
pounds at 3 o'clock in the afternoon,"  
said Greggains last night, "and I think  
he can do so. Tommy Burns when here  
on his way east told me the same thing."

COLORED FIGHTERS BARRED

National Sporting Club Refuses to  
Put on Unbleached  
Boxers.

New York, Oct. 26.—"There will be no  
fight in England for negro fight-  
ers," said F. Bernard today. "The National  
Sporting club has put its foot down  
upon the unbleached boxers and in the fu-  
ture none but white men will be allowed  
to box."

Mr. Bernard is the man who brought  
"Big Sam" McVey, the negro heavy-  
weight, over to England to meet Gunner  
Moir, but returned when he heard the  
news.

"We had one fight over here before  
the National club," said Bernard, "and  
Manager Benson treated up like kings,  
but after that he told us that there would  
be no more. He said the London sports  
won't have their champion beaten by a  
negro and McVey was not given a chance.  
I had an offer for McVey and Langford,  
but Sam skipped just as I was ready to  
sign him up."

McVey is over in Paris now, but I  
don't think he will get much boxing  
around in the music hall over there. He's  
a great fighter, but when they bar ne-  
groes in London it almost cooks the goose  
for them upon the other side."

## BIG WAR TALK IN BASEBALL WORLD

American Association Threat-  
ens to Start Trouble With  
the Major Leagues.

BIG FELLOWS PULL STRING

OLDER ORGANIZATIONS HAVE  
TOO MUCH CONTROL.

Chicago, Oct. 26.—The national base-  
ball family is likely to have a big quar-  
rel on its hands this winter, as the  
American association, the biggest of  
the minor leagues, is up in arms and  
threatening to withdraw from the na-  
tional agreement. The club owners of  
that league say they are deriving no  
benefits from the alliance and, in fact,  
are tied hand and foot by being con-  
nected with organized baseball.

Chicago will be most vitally inter-  
ested in the scrap if it comes off, for  
it is the plan of the association to put  
a ball team into Chicago with grounds  
on the North Side.

M. E. Cantillon, owner of the Minne-  
apolis franchise of the American asso-  
ciation, was outspoken yesterday in  
his denunciation of the conditions  
which he claims pin his league down to  
mere serfdom.

Have No Protection.

"We are under protection now which  
doesn't protect," said Mr. Cantillon.  
"With the present conditions it is ab-  
solutely impossible for a club in our  
league to know where it stands in re-  
gard to the makeup of a team until the  
major league magnates are ready to  
hand us their discard players. I, for  
one, think we would be a lot better off  
if we cut away from this national  
agreement and went out and hustled  
for ourselves. Then we could get to-  
gether some ball clubs independent of  
other leagues and other owners."

"Half the players in our league are  
really owned by major league clubs,  
and nobody knows when the string will  
be pulled and a team broken up by the  
recall of those players. Men are farmed  
out to our clubs and immediately want  
the same salaries in a minor league  
that they received in the big leagues.  
It is impossible to meet those demands,  
of course, and when we are compelled  
to reduce their pay to minor league  
proportions the men naturally become  
dissatisfied and very often don't give  
the teams their best efforts."

"Then, again, the patrons of the  
American association cities don't like  
the idea of getting discarded players  
all the time."

One Vote in Thirty-seven.

"Belonging to the National Associa-  
tion of Minor League clubs doesn't give  
us any good, for we have one vote in  
thirty-seven. A class D league has just  
as much power as the American asso-  
ciation when it comes time to vote on  
important affairs. The St. Louis  
chance to correct the present evils. The  
association is foolish if it doesn't pull  
out, and I fully expect it will be in  
next season independent of the national  
agreement."

There is no doubt that the leading  
lights in organized baseball expect  
some move on the part of the associa-  
tion toward pulling away from the fold.  
President Johnson of the American  
League, one of the members of the na-  
tional commission, was seeking to find  
out yesterday where the dissatisfied  
minor league magnates stand. A break  
in the ranks is looked for and means  
of checkmating the belligerents are be-  
ing contemplated.

Chicago Looks Inviting.

More than once the association club  
owners have been on the point of try-  
ing to break into Chicago with a club,  
but they seem to be more in earnest  
about it this time than ever before. If  
the attempt is made, it will be in the  
Milwaukee franchise will be trans-  
ferred to Chicago. A park on Fullerton  
avenue, west of Lincoln park, was  
figured on at one time, and probably  
the same site would be selected this  
time.

Just how much of a fuss the associa-  
tion's withdrawal from organized base-  
ball would cause can only be con-  
jectured. It would make the associa-  
tion an outlaw league, of course, and a big-  
ger one than has existed at any time  
yet. The air would reek for a time  
with stories of contract jump and  
outlawry. Chicago always has looked  
nifty to the American association  
magnates, and it looks as though that  
league is now ready to cut away from  
organized ball and enter this territory.

MAY ABOLISH TRY FOR GOAL

One Member of Rules Committee Be-  
lieves Point Is Not  
Earned.

Philadelphia, Oct. 26.—There is a  
strong possibility that next season may  
see an important change of football  
scoring methods. The practice of mak-  
ing a goal from the field equal in value  
to a touchdown was changed some sea-  
sons ago, and at least one influential  
and important member of the football  
rules committee is in favor of abolish-  
ing the extra point allowed when a  
goal is kicked from placement after a  
touchdown. This man, who was a  
member of the old rules committee be-  
fore the reformation of the game in  
1896, thinks that the difficulty of kick-  
ing this goal is not by any means one-  
fifth as great as that of scoring a  
touchdown, and that there is no real  
reason for continuing to award a point  
for such goals. It is thought by a good  
many persons that there is so little dif-  
ficulty in kicking this goal that many  
games are simply delayed by the time  
taken to punt out and make a kick.  
Of course, many goals are missed, but  
it is not often that a critical game is  
decided by the scoring or failure in  
scoring a single point. Probably the  
last case of the kind was in the Penn-  
sylvania-Cornell game in 1902, when the  
score was 12 to 11, and there is a good  
deal of reasonable argument permis-  
sible as to whether a game should hinge  
on such a point. It is often the case  
when a goal is missed, that a sudden  
puff of wind had more to do with the  
direction of the kick than the player's  
foot,